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Sir:

In response to the Notification of Missing Parts of Application-Filing Date Granted mailed May 8, 2000,

Applicants hereby submit a newly executed Declaration that identifies the above application by serial number and filing date.

The required surcharge is also submitted herewith along with a copy of the subject Notice.

Accordingly, it is respectfully submitted that all elements of the application have now been filed and an early

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and favorable examination on the merits is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given TWO MONTHS from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

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- The oath or declaration is missing.
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